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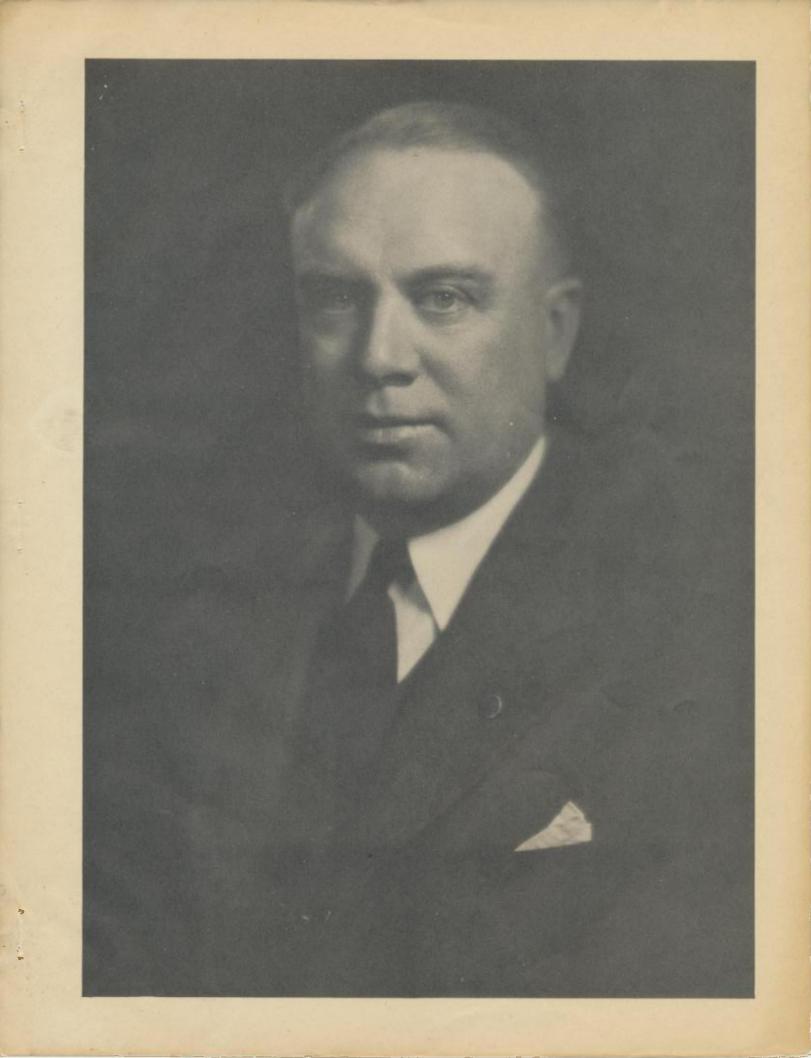
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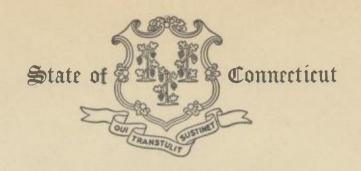
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CONN. STATE POLICE DEPT.



EDWARD J. HICKEY, Commissioner





By His Excellency RAYMOND E. BALDWIN, Governor: a

PROCLAMATION

In keeping with an ancient tradition of our people, and in accordance with a statute of our General Assembly, I hereby appoint Thursday, November twenty-third, next, a day of

PUBLIC THANKSGIVING

On that day, before we meet with our families and friends in timehonored festivity, let us go to our places of public worship and there give humble and hearty thanks to Almighty God: For the rich returns of seedtime and harvest, by which we have been able to feed ourselves, and to give sustenance to suffering humanity in many lands; for home and loved ones and friends, and the rich associations that they bring to make life so worth living; for the opportunity to labor and sacrifice in the great cause of human freedom; for battles won on land and sea and in the air, and for the courage and ability of the brave men and women who have borne the strife, and, with God's help and guidance, have won those battles; for God's favor towards us in very many ways, and for His gifts, great beyond number. And let us humbly and fervently pray that we may continue ever more worthy of His bounty and that, in God's good time, He will grant us Victory, the safe return of our loved ones, and lasting peace.

CONTRACTICUTE NS.

Given under my band and seal of the State at the Capitol, in Hartford, this tenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-four and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and sixty-ninth.

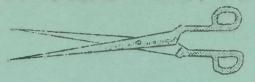
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TATTOO POULTRY AS PROTECTION Best Way to Stop Thieving, Says State Police Officer

> (Litchfield County Farm Bureau News)

The Connecticut State Police was primarily organized to protect rural people, especially the farmers, their herds, flocks, and produce in the rural areas of the State where there is no organized

police locally.

Poultry thieving stands out as one of the leading crimes occuring in rural areas. From our experience, theft of poultry occurs considerably just prior to the Holiday seasons. Since Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's are but a short time off, it is probable that there will be attempts made to raid the Poultry Farmers. Let's get together you, the farmer; and we, the State Police, and take every precaution for the protection of the flocks and the prevention of Poultry Thefts and for the apprehension of any thief or thieves that may be bent on the stealing of farmers! livestock or produce.

First; Are your poultry tattooed? If not, do so immediately. If you have not secured a
Tattooing Device do so at once.
This device can be secured at the
Department of Agriculture, State
Office Building, Hartford, Conn.
If you should desire more detailed information on this Tattooing
Device, contact Stanley Gaunt at
the Litchfield County Farm Bureau. Each Tattoo is registered

and is positive identification of

each Hen, Turkey or Duck.

Second; How well is your flock guarded? A good dog is always good insurance. Keep it in the area of the poultry house. Better still, is a simple Burglar Alarm device hooked up with your home.

Finally, have a suspicious mind. If strangers are in the vicinity it takes but a few seconds to inquire of their business at your place. Take a mental note of their description and later jot it down. If they have cars or trucks be sure to make a note of the registrations. strangers may be honest farmers or business men. Then again, you may have the solution of crime of theft of poultry. Also, day or night, if you should notice vehicles parked near anyone's farm - yours or your neighbor's, mark the registration down and keep it. We solicit your cooperation.

If we get a report of such a crime we start investigation immediately and we cover all known chicken dealers in the State. Your poultry may be in front of us and cannot be identified positively without the

identifying tattoo marks.

Day and night we patrol the highways and back roads, and in the course of a month check hundreds of cars and trucks for your protection and for the protection of your herds and flocks. We want your cooperation. We will give you ours. We are your po-

lice - We are your friends, and | FULL PROTECTION GIVEN PRESIDENT you will find that we are not only pledged to serve you, but we are pleased to serve you. - By State Police Officer Edward J. Dooling of Station "L" Litchfield.

LIEUT. LEO MULCAHY

(The Spotlight)

For over four hours last week the new policemen were privileged to hear Lieut. Leo Mulcahy of the State Police Department speaking on the Power of Arrest and on Observation at the Scene of a Crime. There are many in the department who would have attended this lecture had not duty demanded their presence elsewhere.

When it comes to talking about police work in relation to Connecticut Law, Leo is just

about tops.

GUARD FOR FDR TRAIN KILLED IN STAMFORD FOG

(Hartford Times)

Stamford - (AP) - An auxiliary policeman guarding President Roosevelt's special train was killed and another was critically injured today when struck by a New Canaan bound train in a heavy fog near the New Haven Railroad's Stamford depot.

Francis Cerrigan, 40, of Stamford, died of a fractured skull and other injuries, while Theodore Hartlett, 41, also of the same city, was taken to Stamford Hospital where he was being treated for serious injuries to

his side and hip.

BY POLICE STAFF

(Hartford Times)

The police protection was complete. In command was State Police Commissioner Edward J. Hickey, assisted by Deputy Police Chief Michael J. Godfrey and Se-cret Service men. The fire department supplied about 150 men, and about the same number were detailed by the Hartford police, including all superior officers. Detectives and uniformed men covered every rooftop and lawn on the streets whose rear side is toward the track.

On the edge of the crowd, estimated at from 15,000 to 20,000 people, policemen and firemen alternated every 10 feet or so, keeping their eyes trained on the people and especially watching those who raised cameras or kept their hands in their

pockets.

Secret Service men from the presidential party surrounded the rear platform of the car when the President appeared. Others from Connecticut wore red ribbons in their coat lapels.

The press and press photographers were kept at a slight distance until the President appeared on the rear platform. Then they crowded around the car.

Here lies the body of Simon Gray, Who died while taking his right of way, He was right, dead right, as he sped along, But he's just as dead as though he'd been wrong.

YOUR JOB

Wherever you're working, in office or shop

And however far you may be from the top,

And though you may think you're just treading the mill,

Don't ever belittle the job that you fill;

For however little your job may appear,

You're just as important as some little gear

That meshes with others in some big machine,

That helps keep it going though never is seen.

They could do without you, we'll have to admit,

But business keeps on, when the big fellows quit!

And always remember, my lad, if you can,

The job's more important ---- (oh yes) ---- than the man!

So if it's your hope to stay off the shelf,

Think more of your job than you do of yourself.

Your job is important; don't think it is not,

So try hard to give it the best that you've got!

And don't think ever you're of little account,

Remember, you're part of the total amount.

If they didn't need you, you wouldn't be there,

So, always, my lad keep your chin in the air,

A digger of ditches, mechanic, or clerk -

Think Well of your Job, Yourself and Your Work.

Missouri State Highway Patrol

By FRANK CAREY (Associated Press Science Writer)

MEDICO-LEGAL ADVISOR OF MICHIGAN STATE POLICE GIVES TIPS TO SLEUTHS - THERE ARE PERFECT CRIMES

Washington, Nov. 11 - (AP) -Ever hear of a policeman going to a fortune teller to find out "whodunit" in a murder case?

It's amazing but true, says Dr. LeMoyne Snyder, medico-legal adviser to the Michigan state police, that they often fall for the "popular fallacy" that clair-voyants can give hot tips on a tough case.

Some "Don'ts" For Sleuths And Others

A few Snyder "Don'ts":

1. Don't touch, change or alter anything until it is identified, measured and photographed. He tells of one case where investigators allowed the body to be carted away and then let scrubwomen come in to make the house spic and span before the prosecuting attorney even got wind of the case.

2. Don't be quick to yell "suicide" if the corpse holds a revolver in its hand. If the gun is held tightly, there's a good chance it was a suicide, but its impossible, says Snyder, to make the hand of one already dead grasp anything tightly.

3. Don't be in a hurry, at a hanging scene, to cut down the body. The way the rope is tied around the neck may be the tipoff between homicide and suicide or even accidental death.

4. Don't take it for granted that the body wasn't moved. If

the body was let lie, the parts nearest the floor will be purplish in color due to blood settling.

5. Don't be in a rush to call the hearse. Snyder tells of one case where a couple of nurses entered a suicide pact and between them downed 100 drug pills. As the bodies were being placed in baskets, a policeman detected signs of life in one. Both recovered.

6. Don't scrape up blood strains with a knife. Cut out a whole chunk of the floor. (You have to look sharp. Many other strains, such as coffee, chocolate, paint, rust and tobacco re-

semble blood.)

7. Don't overlook anything at the scene of a hit-and-run auto death. Glass headlight particles "small as sand grains" may well

lead to tracing the killer.

8. Don't search too far downstream for a drowned body even though the current is fast. Only the upper strata of the current are fast; it's sluggish down below, and a drowned body quickly descends to that level.

9. Don't despair of finding evidence of a slaying on a body badly burned, apparently by acci-

dent.

Snyder tells of a farmer's wife whose charred body was found in a flaming living room. A month after she was buried, suspicions were voiced and an examination showed evidence of brain damage from a heavy blow. Her husband then confessed he had hit her with a doughnut iron and chloroformed her before setting the room afire.

"In civil life instant death is a rarity....A person will sometimes survive for a considerable period following gunshot

wounds of the heart or brain and occasionally may actually recover."

Weapons: The single-barreled 12-gauge shotgun is the most common type of gun found at the scene of a shooting. But death can be caused by an ordinary safety pin - straightened out and plunged repeatedly into the heart.

Suicides: Suicidal shots at the heart are not always successful because the bullet sometimes is deflected by the chest bones. Nor is it easy to cause quick death by slashing one's wrists. Large arteries are protected by thick muscles there.

Many suicides show a reluctance to shoot themselves through clothing; and it's also common for a suicide to register several "hesitation" shots or strokes with gun or knife before killing himself.

More fallacies: It isn't true, says Snyder, that a body may be quickly destroyed with quicklime -"if anything it tends to preserve it."

WEST HARTFORD EMERGENCY TRUCK, WITH FULL EQUIPMENT INSIDE, IS READY TO ROLL WHENEVER AN ACCIDENT IS REPORTED FROM ANY SECTION OF THE TOWN

(The Hartford Courant Magazine)
West Hartford folks, long
blessed with the knack of knowing
a good thing when they see it,
have become enthusiastic over the
ingenious home-made emergency
truck which rates as a special
item in the equipment of that
town's Police Department. Its
use is bringing fine results, and
other Connecticut communities are

hearing about it and talking about it. This development is enhancing the prestige of West Hartford town, and naturally and properly enough, is adding to the pride the home folks take in their progressive community.

West Hartford was the first town in the state to have such a truck for its very own..... ... The fine results already shown by the West Hartford department in using its emergency truck have attracted much favorable notice, and frequent inquiries about the idea come in there from other Connecticut communities. In New | Britain the idea is being carefully studied, with a view to its adoption in that city, and a start along the same line has been made in Glastonbury. One or two other Connecticut towns have organized an auxiliary service somewhat similar to the West Hartford plan, for cooperation with the State Police, by whom the emergency-truck idea was first put into effect several years ago under the personal direction of Commissioner Edward J. Hickey. The state emergency truck originally was stationed at the headquarters in Washington Street, but now is based between Westbrook and Colchester.

AT THE COMMISSIONER'S REQUEST THE WEST HARTFORD POLICE ON NOV-EMBER 8 PROMPTLY RESPONDED TO THE SCENE OF THE PLANE CRASH IN EAST GRANBY WITH THEIR EMERGENCY TRUCK AND RENDER D SPLENDID ASSISTANCE.

"THE SIB"

We hasten to congratulate our very good friend and State Police Captain, one Leo Carroll, on his good fortune and his ability When Jimmy Sullivan pins on the which has been seen by the proper | Date County Sheriff's badge

people and awarded by the issuing of several degrees, the first of which is C.C.E. (Criminal Consulting Engineer), and the following which will have to be deciphered by the captain himself, they are: B.S., M.B.S., and PH. H.D.

STATE POLICE SCORE AGAIN

(Hartford Courant) Chalk up another victory for the Connecticut State Police in their capture Thursday of an escaped convict from the State Prison. As has been true so many times in the past, the successful conclusion to the hunt seemed to be compounded of good management and good luck. It showed, too, by the use of an airplane spotter, that the State Police are still ingenious in utilizing any tool or agency that may be useful.

Credit, too, should be given to Dr. Raymond S. Holtz, acting chief flight surgeon for the State Department of Aeronautics, who stalked the runaway by plane and "buzzed" him in true motion picture style. Thus aided, the State Police with their bloodhounds soon made the capture.

And speaking of good luck: haven't you noticed that "luck" inevitably follows when there's good management? So it was in this latest feat of Colonel Edward J. Hickey's mighty men.

COP RESIGNS JOB, ELECTED SHERIFF

(Bridgeport Post)

Jan. 1, he'll probably be the first cop ever to breeze from a corner traffic beat into public office on a whistle, a grin and a

10-ward campaign speech.

The political wiseguys called Jimmy a sucker for resigning from the police force last spring to seek the nomination for sheriff. But the strapping ex-carpenter, contractor, prize-fighter and policeman won the \$7,000-a-year post with 20,000 votes to spare.

The "whistling cop's" campaign contributions came in small bills from pedestrians and motorists who for 10 years had watched him direct traffic on Miami's busiest corner with shrill signals from his own pursed lips instead of a

regulation police whistle.

A few days after the primaries, Sullivan was in Washington trying to enroll in the Federal Bureau of Investigation school. When a long waiting list balked him, he did the next best thing: He travelled over Florida to talk to sheriffs, listen to their problems and get their ideas.

SPOILED BRATS

(Worcester Telegram)
The child a lot of folks would like to spank - the spoiled bratis really ill and using the old-fashioned hair brush on him wouldn't do the slightest bit of good according to Dr. Bert L. Beverly, a psychiatirst, of the University of Illinois. Parents, he said, should adopt the Chinese system of disciplining their children, sending them from the room when they are naughty with the mild comment, "Their wisdom hasn't opened up yet."

Possibly Dr. Beverly is right

Possibly Dr. Beverly is right about its being useless to give the spoiled brat a good spanking.

although it makes more than the child's parents feel good. It's probably too late to discipline a child after he has reached the stage when society shudders at his approach, and collectively could wring his neck. It's pretty certain, however, that a well-administered spanking judiciously placed at the right time has saved many a boy and girl from developing into the kind of child that the whole world would like to spank.

SHADES OF CAPTAIN LEO F. CARROLL

ZOE BECKLEY'S CORNER by Zoe Beckley

(New Britain Herald - Nov. 14)
AD FOR CONN. - Having bade a wistful goodbye to Cubbyhouse and returned to my New York slum it turned hot. So very warm that the bright sun reflected from the River made me wilt and wish for cool hills and the yellow leaves of Autumn, sparse but still lovely. Back I came again, reflecting on the blessing of having a little home in the country which can be opened by the mere turning of one small key in the kitchen door.

Connecticut is a nice little state, an easy place to live in. No state income tax, no tax on sales, no law requiring one to register each time before voting. It's a sort of go as you please state with a pleasant, efficient governor named Raymond Baldwin, excellent roads (with more and better ones coming after the war) and the best looking State Police in six continents. If Hollywood ever saw those handsome fellows we wouldn't have a cop left to bless outselves with.

SAVE THE PEDESTRIAN

(Hartford Courant)

With the holiday season just shead the State Highway Safety Commission is launching a campaign to prevent the highway deaths that so frequently mar a season that should be replete with happiness. Every such needless death brings grief to a certain household, all the more poignant because it is unnecessary. There were 135 such deaths last year in Connecticut; and during the past ten years a total of 2053 pedestrians have died because of someone's carelessness.

Highway safety is a matter of week-in and week-out vigilance, but it is true that the present season of the year is most hazardous and calls for the greatest care. The majority of pedestrians killed in Connecticut each year are of middle age or more, and are struck during twilight hours as they cross avenues mid-

block.

Normally the approaching holidays are celebrated by family get-togethers, and there is more than usual use of intoxicating beverages. Make up your mind now that you are not going to mix gasoline and liquor. If you drink, don't drive. Try to picture in your own mind how you would feel if on your way home from some happy celebration you were responsible for taking a human life. It is not a pleasant feeling.

Also try to remember that the "pedestrian" is not just a figure on an accident chart. He's another human being with family and friends who love him. His death may bring sorrow to many persons, just as your sudden death would bring sorrow to your family. The course of many lives, including your own, may be swiftly altered by one moment's carelessness. Therefore, make up your mind now

that you are going to exercise the highest diligence on the road; that you are going to responsibility for assume all preventing accidents; that you are going to proceed on the basis that pedestrians are careless and that it's up to you to protect them. Remember that much of the so-called carclessness evidenced by middle-aged pedestrians comes from failing eyesight or other infirmities. It is up to you personally to save the pedestrian by exercising the highest degree of care in the coming days.

ROOSEVELT SENDS FLOWERS TO MAN HURT IN STAMFORD

Policoman Injured by President's Train Made Happy By Gift

Stamford, Nov. 19. - (AP) - A huge bouquet of roses and chrysanthemums, direct from the White House, and a message of sympathy from President Roosevelt made Theodore Hartlett the happiest man in Stamford Hospital tonight.

Hartlett, an auxiliary policeman, who was badly injured when he was struck by the President's train as it passed through Stamford November 4, received the flowers and the message from Lieutenant George H. Remer of the Westport Barracks of the State Police. Remer in turn had received them from State Police Commissioner Edward J. Hickey who brought them from Washington.

Commissioner Hickey made a special trip to Washington and during the course of a meeting with Stephen Early, presidential secretary, he discussed the accident in which Francis Carrigan was killed and Hartlett injured. Later he talked for 25 minutes

with the President.

Both Early and the President were apparently unaware of the accident, Hickey said. When the

commissioner left the White House who go beserk as a result of a he took with him President Roosevelt's message of sympathy and the promise that a similar message and a personal present would be sent by the President to Mrs. Carrigan and the family of the train victim.

Stamford is planning a monster benefit for Hartlett and the Carrigan family and Commissioner Hickey said tonight that the President's personal gift would be presented to Mrs. Carrigan at

that time.

CAPT. LEO F. CARROLL

Agawam, Nov. 14 - Cept. Leo F. Carroll, commanding officer of the eastern division of the Connecticut state police, was the guest speaker at the November meeting of the Catholic Men's club of Agawam at the Capt. Charles Leonard house. Capt. Carroll was at one time a motor vehicle inspector, is widely known for his criminal investigations, and made the safety survey for President Roosevelt's recent trip through Connecticut to the Massachusetts line.

POST WAR CRIME

(Hartford Courant) Those calamity howlers foresee a great rise in homicide and other crimes committed by exservice men who have acquired the killer instinct overlook the fact that no such thing happened after the First World War. To be sure, there will be occasional murders committed by psychopathic individuals, but, as Lewis E. Lawes, former Warden of Sing Sing Prison, said recently, the vast majority of homicides are committed by otherwise law-abiding citizens

lover's quarrel, marital dispute or even a drunken brawl.

Much of the crime following the First World War was the direct result of the Prohibition law, which corrupted public officials, made lawbreakers millions of otherwise respectable citizens and led to a general breakdown of national morality. It led to the formation of gangs that saw the opportunity to make huge fortunes quickly through bootlegging or hijacking. If the war was responsible for this outbreak of crime, it was only because the Prohibition law itself was enacted under the cloak of war emergency.

Ordinarily the professional criminal is not a man with a decent job, living in a decent home and earning decent wages. More often than not the professional criminal is a decidedly inferior individual, physically and mentally as well as spiritually. Only if the returning veteran is denied economic security and is not permitted to work at a regular job need we have any fear of

a widespread crime wave.

There is a great deal more likelihood that the criminals of tomorrow will spring from the teen-age group that is now growing up, many of them without proper parental supervision. In many homes there is a temporary false prosperity that may not persist. This prosperity has not always led to an improvement in home conditions. It is entirely likely that we shall need the stability and maturity of our returning veterans to keep us on an even keel in the post-war days. But the teen-age youngster may well be the disrupting factor unless the problem is widely and intelligently combatted now by every social agency at our command.

THE INVISIBLY INJURED

(New Haven Register)

Three times within only a few days the crime news columns have pleaded for attention to a demobilization problem which has had what often seemed incessant discussion in general but to date no evident, appropriate action in particular. That is the problem of mental cases among discharged service men.

Psychiatric examination keep men out of the services who would be little good there to the Army or Navy or to themselves either, have been a conspicuous feature of the mobilization of our splendid military organization. But when the uncontrollable elements in so vast a dislocation of accustomed ways of living upsets mentalities, should not fully equal or even more meticulous after-care be provided for such accidents? Should not early steps be taken effectively to meet need for appropriate shelter and psychiatric attention looking towards rehabilitation where at all possible? The element of personal safety and public protection may be only one factor, but it is an important

The small rash of horrible crimes referred to above seems not to have been wholly attributable to service injury. To be sure, such manifestations are the rare and not a common case. But needs sometimes seem to become appreciated only as a consequence of extremes. And if those will help assure and speed up the provision of appropriate psychiatric facilities for mental casualties they will at least serve one worthwhile purpose.

The conventional type veterans hospital is not equipped either physically or in the sense of staff to accommodate properly such cases. There is a point,

moreover, as to whether they would be the proper place even if the physical factor were no problem. Yet the specialized care provided for the physical ills of those who have served in uniform questions whether it is either just or necessary to consign the mentally injured to the shelter and treatment of the state asylum type of civilian institution or, as an alternative, to abandon them to their families if and for as long as those can provide re-

fuge.

Some physicians in Connecticut who have encountered such cases believe that the need for reasonably local psychiatric facilities is very real, and that action looking towards a perhaps regional institution under federal veterans administration auspices should be instituted now. planning of privileges and benefits for servicemen who return mentally even if not physically whole has been extensive and has taken tangible form. In midst of all such commendable effort sight should not be lost of those who in some respects seem the most pitiable casualties of all, and who in some instances, relatively few though they may be, are potential cases for acute public concern.

WHEN A PLANE CRASHES

(Hartford Times)

A reader of The Times, writing to the editor about his observations at the crash last week of a bomber in East Granby, suggested that motorists be required to carry first-aid kits in their cars and that there be organized groups of residents in the towns trained to act in such emergencies. The reader was appalled by the spectators' lack of initia-

tive and of knowledge of what to do in such a tragedy.

At first thought it might seem | as if first-aid equipment were a necessary feature of every car, but physicians and surgeons are explicit in warning the untrained not to attempt to move persons who have been victims of accidents. To move them might cause additional physical damage, might even hasten death. As for emergency crews in the communities, in every large city the police are trained to handle anything that can happen and there are emergency organizations that function immediately, like that which handled the circus fire in Hartford last July. In the small towns there are not enough people always available for an efficient organization, but the State Police are always quickly within call.

Commissioner Edward J. Hickey of the State Police Department makes the point that prompt reporting of such emergencies as the crash of a plane will do more than anything else to hasten rescue and bring relief to the injured. An emergency call to the operator in any telephone exchange will result in immediate notification of the State Police. The latter are in direct communication with the military bases in the area. The State Police are trained in handling such disasters. The all-important thing is promptness in making the report to the State Police, if the accident is outside the borders of a city.

Another thing to keep in mind is that a big plane is a danger-ous thing for laymen to touch. Fire can start without warning, there may be explosives - a plane crash calls for special service. Spectacular crashes arouse the desire of spectators to do something quickly to render assistance. That is a laudable human impulse. Most important, how-

ever, is prompt summoning of skilled aid. That, as Commissioner Hickey has said, should be uppermost in the minds of people who observe crashes. Those who live in towns where there are airfields, or towns adjacent to them, are most likely to need to be alert to the urgency speed in calling the State Police.

LAWYERS SUPPORT POLICE HEAD'S PLEA FOR NEW QUARTERS

RYLE NAMES COMMITTEE TO LEND EFFORTS FOR RECOMMENDED PROJECT

(Stamford Advocate)
The Stamford Bar Association is supporting Police Chief John B. Brennan in his requests for a modern police station on a central site and for minor improvements in the detective bureau, President Thomas J. Ryle announced today.

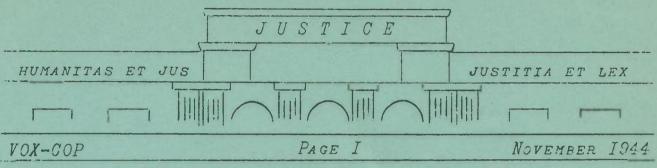
-FAMOUS LAST WORDS-

"Well, if he won't dim his, I won't dim mine."

"How fast will it go?"

"A good way to die with your boots on is to keep pressing one of them down on the gas accelerator."

On November 13, James L. Mc-Govern, chairman of the Associated Press circuit of Connecticut and associate editor of the Bridgeport Post and Telegram, received felicitations at his desk in his newspaper office in Bridgeport. To a frequent contributor of feature articles, VOX COP says, "More power to you, Shamus!"



FREES CARROLL JUDGE

IN MANSLAUGHTER

Judge Kenneth Wynne of Superior court in Fairfield County this month dismissed a manslaughter charge lodged more than a year ago against Francis J. Carroll, 25, suspended Bridgeport policeman who inflicted fatal injuries on Charles F. Kelly, 33, of 527 Norman

Judge Wynne rendered his decision after arguments on a dismissal motion, based on Section 6447 of the General Statutes, had been presented by Defense Attorney David Goldstein and State's Attorney Lorin Willis.

The complete memorandum reads as follows:

"There is no room for doubt that the statute relied upon is applicable to the case at bar. Indeed the court has personal recollection of the reasons urged when the law was enacted in 1921. The purpose of the law and the philosophy back of it was to prevent unchecked power by a prosecuting attorney. Necessarily that power is great, and properly so. Nevertheless the genius of our form of government lies in the elaborate system of checks and balances preventing at once either the tyranny of the majority or the tyranny of a minority. What the statute was designed for, the very purpose for which it is now invoked is a matter of legislative and judicial history.

In the spring of 1921 a case was tried involving a prominent lawyer before the Superior Court for Hartford County. The jury disagreed. The judge who presided, as well as counsel for the defense, saw the necessity for a law such as was passed. It was approved June 2, 1921. On June 17, 1921, a nolle pros was entered in the case. The coincidence requires no comment. It is probably true that the law has never been resorted to, but it is still in effect.

"Not only is the court confident that the defendant would not be convicted by a jury if tried again, but is equally sure that the defendant would be acquitted in a trial that embraced an element that could well be included. Section 6183 of the General Statutes.

Rev. 1930, provides as follows:

'Any person who shall obstruct, resist, or abuse any officer concerned in the administration of justice while in the execution of his office shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars or be imprisoned not more than three months, or both.'

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"It certainly could be claimed that the deceased was hindering, if not obstructing, an officer when he tried to elude the latter, if the officer was justified in questioning him. Obviously he would then be guilty of an offence and subject to lawful arrest even under the admitted restrictions of the statute relating to arrest. With any principle to cling to it is inconceivable that a jury under the appealing circumstances of this case would convict a reputable and conscientious officer like the defendant of a felony.

"A judge is at once an attorney sworn to the latter's oath and a magistrate to uphold the law. He can see no wrong or injustice done. The jury's oath is as much his as it is the juror's. They are sworn by the name of the ever-living God to well and truly try the defendant, and this without respect of persons or favor of any man. This court can do no less. In such a spirit and with faith in its righteousness, the court feels impelled to grant the instant mo-

"It was a heavy responsibility that rested on the state's attorney. The one on the court is quite as great. Mr. Willis did his duty as he saw it. Great courage was required with utter disregard of criticism. His conduct was in the best tradition of fearless public service. The court is faced equally with the same test of rugged responsibility. As the court views the matter the rights of the defendant now, far transcend every other consideration. The principles of law for which Mr. Willis fought have been vindicated. It is now definitely established that police officers at all times must zealously protect the rights of an individual no matter what is at stake. And yet the circumstances of this case are such that no jury would ever convict the defendant. This being so the Court's duty is clear. Vigilance and honest prosecution have had their day. Now defendant's rights emerge and are inescapable. A jury has twice refused to convict him.

"Therefore the information is dismissed and the defendant is

discharged from custody."

Kelly died July 8, 1943, of spinal injuries allegedly received two nights earlier when he was tackled by Carroll. He had been halted for questioning by Carroll and Policeman George Murphy in Norman Street near Wood Avenue, and was fleeing from the officers who were dressed in plainclothes, when he was overtaken and borne to the ground by the defendant.

Carroll had two jury trials as the result of the fatality. On Oct. 26, 1943, he was acquitted by a jury before Judge William J. Shea, but the state appealed and won a new trial. On Oct. 25, 1944, another jury was discharged by Judge Wynne, and a mistrial declared, after the panel had deliberated for seven hours without reaching an

agreement.

After the declaration of a mistrial, Mr. Willis announced his

intention of placing Carroll on trial a third time.

Arguing before Judge Wynne early this month, Mr. Goldstein recited the allegations contained in the motion for dismissal, and said that two juries, after hearing all the evidence and observing the defendant had refused to return a conviction. The votes of the last jury, Mr. Goldstein asserted, were nine to three, and seven to five for acquittal.

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THE NEW YORK, NEW HAVEN AND HARTFORD RAILROAD COMPANY

CORTING TO THE TANK

G. R. CROWLEY

SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE

NEW HAVEN 6, CONN.,

November 10th, 1944

Colonel Edward J. Hickey, Commissioner of State Police, State of Connecticut, Hartford, Connecticut.

My dear Commissioner:-

At this time I wish to express my sincere appreciation for the valuable assistance rendered by your department on November 4th, when President Roosevelt's Special Train moved over our line.

From a police and protective standpoint, I do not believe there was anything left undone to insure the safe movement of the President and this is borne out by our operating department officials who were very high in their praise for the efficient police handling throughout on the date in question.

Might add, your radio engineer, Mr. Elmer Weyh of Station I was most cooperative as our receiving set here in the office went completely dead about 4:00 A.M. Nov. 4th, or a few hours before we were to handle the special train. However, Mr. Weyh was contacted and in short order he was at hand and corrected the condition, leaving with us an extra speaker to cope with any emergency. I do appreciate this and it was mighty nice of Mr. Weyh to render such valuable assistance.

I am indeed grateful for all you have done and with kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

G. R. Crowley Superintendent of Police

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF
U.S. TRUNKER SERVICE

PHEND TO FILE NO.

November 10, 1944

Mr. Edward J. Hickey Commissioner Connecticut State Police Department Hartford, Connecticut

Dear Commissioner Hickey:

I have been informed by Mr. Harry L. Barker, our Supervising Agent at Boston, of the very valuable assistance rendered by you and the members of your department in the protection of the President of the United States during his recent visit to Hartford.

I am well aware that this extremely important duty of the Secret Service would be almost an impossible task if it were not for the splendid cooperation which is extended to us by police departments of the states and cities included in the President's itineraries, and by the railroad police at various points along the route.

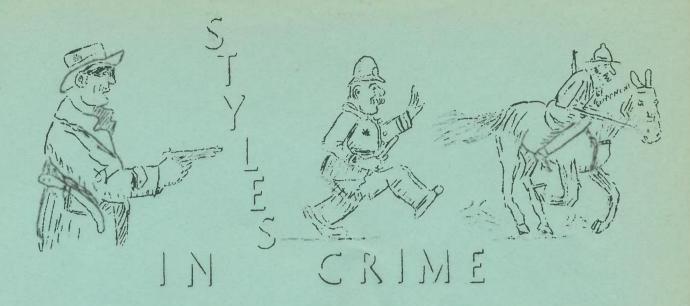
And I want you to know that I deeply appreciate your invaluable help. If we may at any time be of service to you and your department, I urge you to call upon us.

Sincerely yours,

Frank J. Wilson Chief, U. S. Secret Service

Sincerely yours,

Richard Repport COMMISSIONER



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Oyster Bay, L. I. - Nassau County Police are looking for feet to fit a pair of shoes left behind in the home of Emil Bulch, by a burglar, who, they think, may be the same one who robbed the rectory of Christ Episcopal Church.

The burglary of the Bulch home occurred Wednesday night and the prowler got \$12 from a pocketbook and left in such a hurry that he forgot his shoes. The following night, the rectory was entered in some manner as yet undetermined by police, while the rector, was away for an hour.

The loot included two borrowed Zeiss cameras, a fur coat, a man's Chesterfield coat and a box containing the All Saints Day collection of \$21.

New York City - A pajama-clad patrolman, investigating a noise on the roof of his apartment at 1:35 a.m., fatally wounded a man who he said was peeping into a window of St. Luke's Hospital Nurses Home.

Maplewood, N.J. - Police sent a searchlight battery early one morning to Vauxhall Road to

search for the left ear of Patrolman Herman Schmidt, which was bitten off in a tussle with three men, and when it was found, an emergency operation was performed by Dr. B.B.Ransom, to sew the ear

back in place.

Patrolman Schmidt, who is thirty-nine years old, was alone in a patrol car, not equipped with radio, when his suspicions were aroused by three mon in a parked car at Vauxhall Road. He got out of the patrol car to investigate and the men attacked him. When one of the men bit his ear off Patrolman Schmidt went for his gun. He fired four shots and one of the men fell. The other two escaped. There were three bullet wounds in the body and one in the hand of the injured assailant.

Paris, Nov. 2 - UP - Dr. Marcel Petiot, who was accused by the Nazis of being a scientific super-Bluebeard, was arrested here today by French police a few miles from the villa where he allegedly murdered 100 persons.

The physician, claiming to be a misunderstood patriot, said he

had killed only Germans.

Reconstructing the crimes, the

police said Dr. Petiot tricked his victims into coming to his office and home on the promise of help in getting them to America. He injected into victims a drug which caused death after prolonged and agonizing convulsions. After injecting this drug the killer handcuffed to the wall, crucifix fashion, the semi-conscious victims, many of whom were women. He then went to an adjoining room and watched their death agonies through a peephole.

Syracuse, N.Y. - The man that made off with Ross King's lawn-mower made sure that he was getting a mower that would really work. Neighbors reported that he cut a strip of the King lawn before walking off with the machine.

Sapulpa, Okla. - Police Chief J.O. Edwards knew just what to do when a woman called headquarters to report that her door mat had been stolen. The Chief's dog had dragged it home.

Rawlins, Wyo. - Held in the county jail on a forgery charge, James Powell used his blanket as a parachute in dropping from the third story while making a break for freedom.

New York, N.Y. - Three boys, eleven, twelve and thirteen years old, students at P.S.46, St. Nicholas Avenue and 156th Street, were arrested for attacking a teacher at their school, inflicting a severe head wound by striking her with a pipe. Detective Richard Grant, who made the gate a light be candy store street and four Slade, there. Street and four street and fo

arrests, said the boys apparently tried to rob her of a few dollars in student lunch funds.

Bronx, N.Y. - Some one tied four-year-old William Drach's hands behind his back and killed him in the basement of a five-story apartment house at 825 Eagle Avenue, the Bronx, of which his father, John Drach, is super-intendent. There was no evidence visible as to the cause of death and the police said they would not know until an autopsy had been performed how the boy was killed.

Brooklyn, N.Y. - Patrolman Fitzpatrick introduced as book-making evidence in Brooklyn Week-End Court a copy he had made of some writing on the wall of a building which he said was done by John Quigley, forty-seven years old. Counsel for Quigley, challenged the admissibility of this evidence, asked for an adjournment and demanded that the police produce the building wall scratch pad in court.

New York, N.Y. - Plainclothes Patrolman William Yanchen said he identified himself as a policeman when he went to investigate a light burning in a closed candy store at 2 East 113th Street and found the owner, James Slade, there. The storekeeper apparently didn't believe him, for he hit Patrolman Yanchen on the head with a bottle, inflicting a scalp wound that required nine stitches.

UNCLE SAM'S NEPHEWS

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To All Our Officers In The Service:

November, 1944

Dear Officer:

Existing personnel problems in the Connecticut State Police Department have reached a point where I find it necessary to inquire of you whether there is any possibility of your obtaining a release from active military service to enable you to return to the State Service.

As you know, the statutes of Connecticut limit the number of appointees to the department. For a short while after December 7, 1941, we could obtain durational replacements to cover many of the military leave vacancies but for a number of months now we have been unable to meet the authorized strength of the department.

Efforts within the past few months to obtain replacements have been fruitless. We are now confronted with increased crime problems and are trying to cope with such conditions with a greatly diminished force. We need the experienced officer who has the training in police and military techniques to assure adequate security and protection to this commonwealth.

Fully appreciating your desire to serve with the armed forces until the cessation of hostilities, I urge you to give full consideration to applying for release from active service.

May I again call to your attention the provisions of Section 40g, Chapter 8a of the 1943 Supplement to the General Statutes:

"Any employee who leaves the State service for the purpose of entering the armed forces of the United States shall be reinstated in his former position and duties provided he makes application for return to the State service within ninety days after he is discharged from the armed forces...."

Very truly yours,

Edward J. Hickey COMMISSIONER OF STATE POLICE

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11 November 1944 New Guinea

Dear Commissioner:

This letter is rather belated, but I wish to express my thanks to you, and the Department, for your efforts in seeing that Vox Cop reaches us all. I received the September issue today and was glad to get it. It is the first issue I have received since June. No doubt the rest of them are about to catch up with me soon. I bounced around New Guinea for a while and also beyond the island, but I have been back at this particular receiving station for two or three weeks now, awaiting assignment to an LST of the Amphibius Forces. I hope this will mean the end of New Guinea for me - and a seat "down in front" As you probably have noted, New Guinea holds no charms for me, except I marvel at the unbelievable rainfell.

There is a Chief Petty Officer here, who, before the war, was Lieutenant Al Hagel of the Evanston, Illinois Police Dept. and for a number of years an instructor at Northwestern University. He remembered having instructed Gerry O'Connell and Inspector Ralph Buckley - he has asked me to convey thru our magazine, his warmest regards and best wishes to them. Chief Hagel is a "dinkhum" fellow.

We had a Review and Inspection (personnel) this morning, followed by a brief and impressive religious Service, by way, of paying homage to men who died in the last war, or was it merely the first half of this one?

May I take the opportunity to wish you and Mrs. Hickey a very Happy Thanksgiving, and will you please convey these same wishes to all the personnel?

I hope this letter hasn't come to you with too much of a shock, I am a notoriously poor letter writer, but I want you to know I haven't forgotten the outfit.

Whenever the opportunity presented itself in the past, I called on Station "H" but you were always out. And now that my opportunities for visiting no longer exist, I shall try to write a little more often.

I for one can honestly say, that I am impatiently awaiting the day when I can exchange my serial number for my old badge number!

Very sincerely yours,

Marcel L. Simon, CBM USCG

WE ARE ALWAYS PLEASED TO HEAR FROM OUR FRIENDS IN SERVICE AND ARE CONTINUALLY WISHING FOR THEIR GOOD HEALTH AND A SPEEDY RETURN TO US FROM A VICTORIOUS MISSION.

Hello Lt. Boas:-What's new. I finally graduated from Radio, Field Artillery. Am now in Combat Engineers. Looking forward to Radio Duty.

Best Regards,

Pvt. Albert R. Conklin

Oct. 31, 1944

Dear Commissioner Hickey:

As one of your former auxiliary policemen and radio dispatcher and now working for Uncle Sam I wish to thank you for the real enjoyment I get out of reading Vox Cop. I have already received the July and Aug. issue over here. I am now writing for the later issues to follow. I have been on the move so much that it will take a little longer to reach me, but that makes me all the more interested and will receive more enjoyment out of the issue.

It is really wonderful to be over here in the fields of France and read all about the progress of the Dept. I wish to thank Station "B" for their note of ad-dress of former Trooper George Ferris. I have dropped him a line already. He was a good friend of mine while at Station "C". I wish the best of luck to

Oct. 29, 1944 | all and Best Regards to all the officers I know. I remain

> Sincerely yours, Ellery Kington R.F.#548

COMM. & MRS. EDW. J. HICKEY

The topic of the Artic As Christmas time draws near Is all about the good old friends Who live away from here; And here's a special greeting From Iceland for you. May you have a Merry Christmas And a Happy New Year too.

George H. Ferris

OUR SERVICE BOYS' MAILING LIST

VOX-COP IS MAILED MONTHLY TO ALL OUR BOYS IN THE SER-VICE. PLEASE ADVISE US OF ALL CHANGES OF ADDRESS AND LET US KNOW IF VOX-COP IS NOT RE-CEIVED.

WE MUST THINK TODAY OF OUR CHILDRENS' TOMORROW

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BALTIMORE REDUCES DELINQUENCY RATE FOR JUVENILES BY 23 PER CENT WITH A CONCERTED ATTACK

(New Haven Register)

A concerted attack on child crime by Baltimore courts and citizens cut the city's juvenile delinquency rate 23 per cent the first six months of this year.

For the January-June, 1944, period, 1,097 boys and girls under 16 were charged with delinquency, while 1,431 juvenile offenders appeared before the Circuit Court's juvenile division in the first six months of 1943.

Figures for 1943 showed a 17 per cent increase over 1942, according to the International City Managers Association. Preventive efforts in the city not only wiped out the 17 per cent increase previously reported but reduced the number of delinquents appearing in court this year in comparison to 1943. The number of repeaters also decreased, principally because of the work of the probationary staff.

The program largely responsible for the present downward trend in the city's juvenile delinquency rate includes the fol-

lowing points:

Effective work of the Juvenile Protective Bureau of the city po-

lice department.

Work of the court in holding children's parents whose behavior directly causes delinquency to strict accountability and by imposing fines and sentences on them. Since the first of the year more than 50 adults have been charged with causing or contributing to the delinquency of their children; all but eight were found guilty.

Work of the court's staff which includes a physician, a psychiatrist and 11 probation officers. The latter group works not only with delinquent children but with their entire families.

Work of the Baltimore Youth

Commission in supplementing work of local social agencies and organizations, the city and State Departments of public welfare, civic organizations, churches, public and private schools and the training schools for delinquent children.

Among newer activities cited as helping to prevent juvenile delinquency were the Boy Scouts and boys' clubs, particularly those formed by the police department; recreation centers sponsored by the youth commission and all other youth programs and activities started in the last six months.

THE BRONX COMMANDOS

(Herald Tribune)

It is to the credit of the police of the Bronx that the death of four-year-old William Drach, whose trussed-up body was found on Oct. 29, has finally been explained. A sixteen-year-old boy, overly fond of the excitement of commando tradition, finally confessed, and William Drach's eight-year-old brother, who had been called guilty by the police in their first rather cursory investigation, has been cleared. In this first inquiry, however, the police did not appear in a very good light. commanding officer of the Bronx detectives was willing to place the blame on the dead boy's brother. On the insistence of the boy's father, the inquiry continued, and two detectives, who were not quite satisfied with the early results, carried through to the final apparently These boycorrect solution. commando cases - and we are hearing of a number of them from all over the country - are not always as easy of solution as they might appear on the surface. The police should be careful not to place the onus where it does not belong.

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STATION "D" DANIELSON

We were a bit hasty in reporting our "Phantom", Albert Rivard, as being at large in the last issue. Almost as soon as the copy had been mailed, information was received from the New York City Police Department reporting Rivard in custody on a charge of Grand Larceny. As usual, Rivard was found in a stolen car. As yet he has been unable to escape from custody, and by now he should know that there is considerable difference between a jail and Juvenile Detention Home. Our loss is New York City's gain or vice-versa, and may the lure of the bright lights ever attract Rivard away from the quiet of Windham County.

In the last issue we neglected to mention an addition to our official station family. Off. and Mrs. John B. Murphy are the proud parents of a daughter, whom they have called Kathleen. John had his heart set on another boy but the little wife had the last word. (Don't they always!) We kinda think that John had the say in the naming of Kathleen and we might add that we agree with him that Kathleen goes very well with Murphy.

Along with the bundle of happiness that came into his home, John had more than his share of trouble. Shortly after returning home, Mrs. Murphy was taken suddenly seriously ill and rushed back to the hospital. We are happy to report her well again at this time after several anxious days.

No, that wasn't enough, for through it all John had to get around with a kink in his back that kept him bending low. Despite all this, John was his usual cheerful self. This was just another indication of that sunny disposition which makes it a pleasure to know and work with John.

Speaking of additions I should mention Mrs. Blanche Vosseler, of West Willington, who has joined us as radio dispatcher. It's a blonde this time, and we are still keeping up our standard for good looks. We say again, as we have said before, "Don't take our word for it - drop in and see for yourself!!"

The car inspection is over and Major Frank Nichols and staff certainly did a thorough job of it! It made a tough afternoon for them, but I'll guarantee that it wasn't half as tough as the time some of the officers spent in getting prepared for it. Officers Leo Marion and Tom Mc-Grath, for example. These two officers worked far into the night washing and cleaning their cars, and went home muttering to themselves. I can't quote anything they said but if you have ever tried to paint the block of a motor using a drop-light for illumination, you can imagine the rest.

That poem "My Day" surely hit the spot at home and caused considerable comment among the wives. One wife couldn't understand why the writer of the poem should have waited four hours for her cop husband to come home to supper, "Didn't she know that a cop's wife can never plan anything more than five minutes in advance?"

That just about winds things up for this time. See you later.

"Les"

THE "H" GRIDDLE

Merely informing you that:

Officers "Kiddo" Ritchie and "Buddy" Panciera are "keeping crackers in their beds." (We mean safe crackers in their own beds) - not - that the crackers are safe exactly, but that the crack slooths have 'em worried so that perhaps they'll crack soon.

Off. Harvey "Contact" Coleman of Bradley Field, Windsor Locks and Sta. "H" Hartford is still "liason-ing."

Officers Sal "Muscles" Esposito and Johnny "Vitamin" Lawrence can really smell trouble and know how to keep everything well in hand when quelling a B. of P.

Phil "Chesty" Massicotte is being sabotaged by an ugly rumor that the object of our envy - his manly chest - actually slumps below his belt when no one is looking.

Timothy (Big Brother) Foley insists his lovely gray hair is the result of early piety. (He also plays fullback for the Farmington Valley Tigers.) The coach is really worried as his first string players will all graduate this year. All plan to continue school. Farmington High School will be the popular choice.

Charlie (Curly) Casalengo penman with portfolio and Cass to you - is an avid student of Webster's-gosh-them words.

Officer Bill Gruber

STATION "L"

Since we last wrote for this magazine our pistol team won the State Championship. Congratulations are in order for our team composed of

Officer Angelo Buffa Officer John Wilcox Officer Norman Davis Officer William Casey

The Wagoner Trophy now rests securely in Station "L" and we hope to have it permanently.

It has been said that the Targets used in the match had horns on them and our crew was right at home.

Chef Ray Rivers, our Globe Trotting Chef has returned to the land of milk and honey.

We welcome Officer Alden Augustine Thompson to Station "I." and are sorry to lose Tex Calkins and John Wilcox, who went to Stations "B" and "H" respectively. We wish them a heap of success.

We enjoyed a visit from Lieut. George H. Remer and family on November 7. Lieut. Remer is always a welcome visitor at "L".

We should take time here to congratulate the Commissioner on the Seminar. It was educational and interesting. Let's have more!

The Litchfield County Farm Bureau News carried a full column on the protection of their poultry, herds, etc. and on cooperation between the farmer and the State Police. This article was contributed by Officer Edward J. Dooling - (Good work, Ed - Vox Cop)

J-29 William Casey recovered two stolen cars and the thieves recently. Keep it up, William!

Sergeant Butch won two first places at the Harwinton Fair. Also is Champion of Westchester Kennel Club, Champion of Tuxedo Kennel Club and won first place at Goshen Fair. Some Sergeant! Congratulations to him. Has any other station a Sergeant that can top this?

Lieut. Frank Shaw is teaching photography at Station "L". Officers Buffa and Swiklas are our representatives to this school. We look for big things from these men, as it must be remembered that the first Law School in America was the Litchfield Law School and the first photography school was the Litchfield School of Photography at Station "L".

Pvt. Victor Keilty, formerly an Officer at this station, enjoyed his furlough in this area recently. He is now in the 16th Armored Division at Camp Chaffee, Ark. We look forward to his permanent roturn to the department.

Miss Ellen Dunn is now assigned to this area Special Service. She is a former school teacher in Torrington and enjoys a host of friends in Litchfield County. She has the makings of a fine Policewoman and should go far. Welcome home, Ellen.

For the information of those who are not too familiar with Station "L", we wish to state that we have perhaps the finest deer pathological lab in the State. Should you come across a wounded deer and be unable to cope with the situation, call on us and we will take it off your hands for dissection.

Be seeing you next month,

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TO ALL COMMANDING OFFICERS

Headquarters - Divisions - Stations

Now that the Sixth War Loan has officially opened and all our barracks have been supplied with forms, we would urge that a very intensive campaign be staged for the sale of all types of bonds. The only bonds that can be prepared at the stations are the "E" form but orders can be taken for all the others and forwarded to Headquarters for referral to our clearing agent for prompt preparation.

The State Police Department had a very fine record in connection with the Fifth War Loan, and we should make herculean efforts to surpass that record by buying more bonds ourselves and asking our friends to help swell our grand total for the Sixth War Loan. Remember, the war is not won yet - we have a long road to travel before victory is achieved.

Edward J. Hickey

COMMISSIONER OF STATE POLICE

Edward Hickory



State of Connecticut

HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMISSION

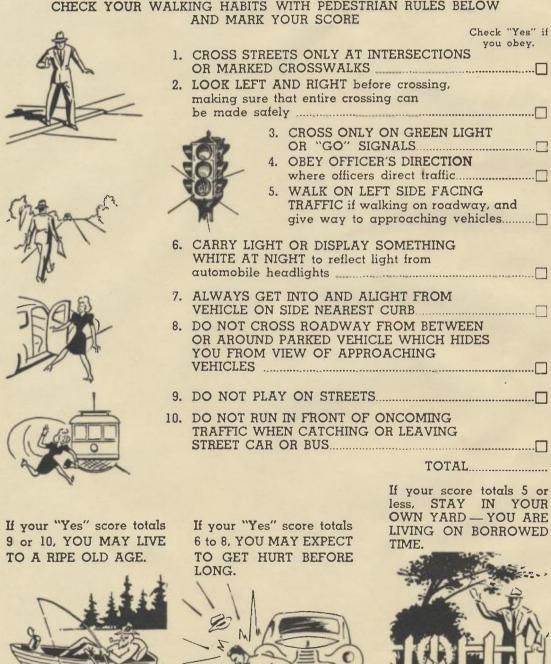




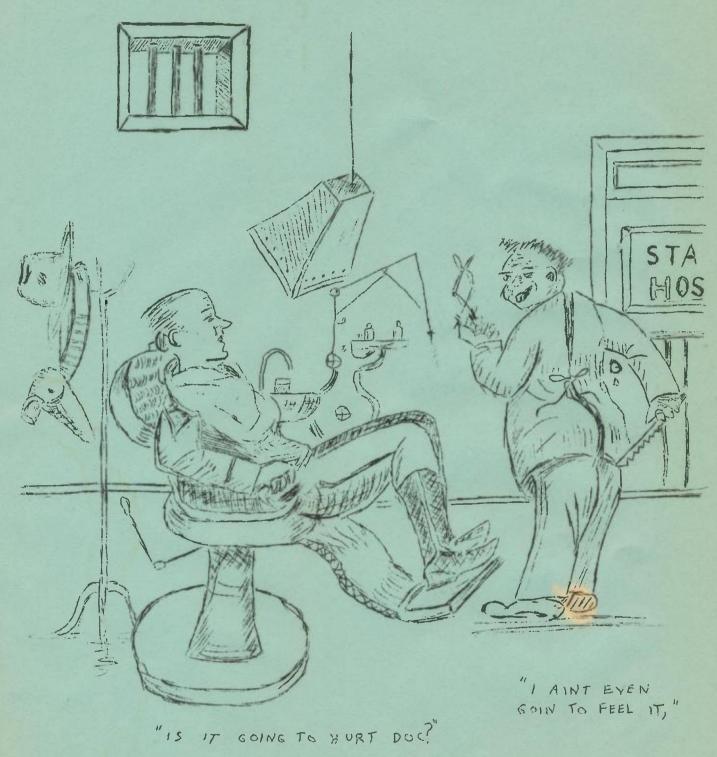
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MORE AMERICANS HAVE BEEN KILLED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS SINCE PEARL HARBOR THAN HAVE BEEN KILLED IN BATTLE

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